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1. Two self-propelled guns and several trucks were observed being loaded into railroad cars at the Eisenstadt railroad station at 0730 hours on 3 March 1953.
2. A column of approximately 30 trucks, half of them three-axled ones, was seen driving through Eisenstadt at 1020 hours on 3 March. Two of the trucks were pulling guns, a description of which is as follows:
 - a. Caliber, approximately five centimeters
 - b. Length of barrel, 7.5 feet
 - c. No muzzle brake
 - d. Recoil cylinder above the barrel
 - e. Tubular trails.

3. An antiaircraft machine gun fitted with a water jacket was mounted on a truck. Several other trucks were loaded with mortars of between eight and ten centimeter caliber and with tubes about three feet long. Several other trucks were loaded with crates, rolled tarpaulins, and baggage. Two field kitchens, [REDACTED] and both carrying its own supply of firewood, were being towed by trucks. The accompanying personnel wore black-bordered magenta shoulder boards; they were armed with submachine guns and carbines. The commander's jeep which led the column, was equipped with a signal lamp apparatus which faced the column. Of the three elements of the signal lamp, one was approximately three inches in diameter and two about two inches in diameter. A green light flashed briefly from one of the smaller lamps. A sketch of the signal lamp is shown on the next page.

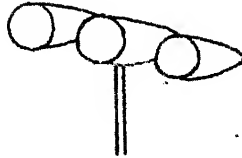
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3. Two target ranges between 100 and 150 yards long have been installed in the northeastern corner of the Eisenstadt barracks area. Approximately 50 officers wearing black-bordered magenta shoulder boards were observed leaving the barracks and entering the "Landhaus" [REDACTED]

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